



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Director of Public Works

At its meeting held December 9, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"This past January, a fatal collision occurred between a commuter train and a truck at the crossing of Buena Vista Street and the existing railroad tracks north of San Fernando Boulevard in the City of Burbank.

"On December 2, 2003, the National Transportation Safety Board released an initial report of their investigation of the incident. The report found that the design of the traffic signals at the incident location was a contributing factor to the tragedy.

"Coordination between local agencies, railway operators, and State and Federal agencies is critical to ensure the utmost safety of our transportation system."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Director of Public Works was instructed to:

1. Request the California Public Utilities Commission to work directly with the California Department of Transportation and local agencies to develop a uniform process for establishing traffic signal design and supplemental traffic control parameters at railroad/highway crossings; and
2. Review existing traffic signal operations for at-grade railroad/highway crossings under County purview and report back to the Board within 90 days with findings.

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